The Air Hill Breezes

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Mr. Aesop once told this fable:

A slave named Androcles once escaped from his master and fled to the forest. As he was wandering about there, he came upon a lion lying down moaning and groaning. At first, he turned to flee, but finding that the lion did not pursue him, he turned back and went up to him. As he came near, the lion put out his paw, which was all swollen and bleeding, and Androcles found that a huge thorn had got into it and was causing all the pain. He pulled out the thorn and bound up the paw of the lion, who was soon able to rise and lick the hand of Androcles like a dog. Then the lion took Androcles to his cave, and every day he used to bring him meat from which to live.

But shortly afterwards both Androcles and the lion were captured, and the slave was sentenced to be thrown to the lion, after the latter had been kept without food for several days.

The emperor and all his court came to see the spectacle, and Androcles was led out into the middle of the arena. Soon the lion was let loose from his den and rushed bounding and roaring towards his victim. But as soon as he came near to Androcles he recognized his friend, and fawned upon him, and licked his hands like a friendly dog.

The emperor, surprised at this, summoned Androcles to him, who told him the whole story. Whereupon the slave was pardoned and freed, and the lion let loose to his native forest.

ANDROCLES AND THE LION.

Moral: Gratitude is the sign of noble souls.

Let me re-tell this fable the way we often see life.

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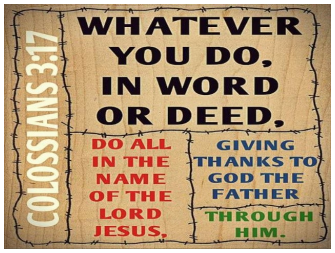
Where is the lion's gratefulness in this second story? We too often hear stories like the second story in which someone responds with ungratefulness. We too often have given something only for that gift to be received with quiet or even criticism.

Where is our gratefulness? How much do you express your gratefulness to God? Our pride often hinders us from expressing thankfulness. We often egotistically think, "Look, what I have done!" Or, if somebody gives us something, "I deserved it." Our lack of humility prevents us from being thankful.

Not only in this "Thanksgiving season," but in every season, let us be people with thankful hearts. In the words of David: "Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done. Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts" (1 Chronicles 16:8-9). Let us be thankful for the new life God has given us in Jesus. Let us give thanks to God for all his gifts to us. Let us express thanks to and for one another. Let us be people of noble souls.

November Spiritual Exercise

We treat a normal plate totally different than we would an offering plate, though both are plates. The offering plate has been set apart to be used for service to God. In the same, we have been set apart for service to God through Jesus Christ. Thus, take one day, if not more, and do your normal work as if you were doing it for God. What would it be like to clean your house for God? What would it be like to be a mechanic for God? What would it be like to do your computer work for God? What would it be like to farm for God? Choose one day and pray your way through it, offering every action to God. As the day closes, ponder what you learned about yourself and what you learned about God. Meditate on the differences between that "special" day and your "normal" day. What would it be like if you offered yourself to God every day?



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- Nov. 4: Ladies Bible Study
- Nov. 10: Leadership Banquet
- Nov. 18: Ladies Bible Study
- Nov. 24: Craft Show
- Nov. 25: Praise/Prayer Service
- Dec. 9: Budget Council
- Dec. 24 Christmas Eve Service
- Dec. 30: Praise/Prayer Service

The Holidays Are Just Around the Corner
Don't forget to use the link below when ordering from Amazon.com and Air Hill Church will get FREE money. Through the first 3 quarters of 2018 we have received $58.20 through persons shopping at Amazon.com

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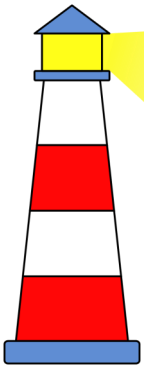
Church Board Highlights

- Letters will go out to inactive members to see if they want to remain members
- We will look into non-traditional ways to give financially to the church such as electronic transfers, credit card/debit card
- Lettering on the communion table will be reworked so lettering stands out.
- Looking at a credit card for the church that has 1.5% reward back to the church.

New Heights
Air Hill Church



But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

- 1 John 1: 7

New Heights Youth Group

Join us Wednesday nights from 6:30 to 8 for youth group. We have been playing games, eating snacks, telling jokes and studying the life of Jesus. The past few weeks we have been separating middle school and high school. It has been great to give the different age groups the opportunity to study God's Word in a way that connects with where they are now. Pray that God's love is shared by each one of us and that we fully understand his pursuit of us.

Museum of the Bible—Nov. 17

Join us and visit the largest collection of Biblical artifacts in America in Washington, DC. If you are interested in going along please speak with Jason as soon as possible. It will be a great day together and to learn more about the history of God's Word and how it has come together throughout the past centuries.

Upcoming Events:

Nov. 17—Museum of the Bible

Nov. 24—Craft Show

Dec. 19—Christmas Party

Dec. 30—Conference All Nighter

Ways you can help:

-Donate a snack for Wednesday nights

-Donate Candy for Trunk or Treat

-Volunteer to help with the Craft Show

-Pray for our Youth

AIR HILL STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

"To grow a healthy, loving, Christ centered church family that has a passion for reaching the community and the world for Christ"

2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 2:15 Good News Club	3
4 9 am S.S. 10 am Worship 6 pm Ladies Bible Study 	5	6 6 pm Prop. Mgt. Meeting 6:30 pm Basketball	7 6:30 Children/ Youth/Adult Study	8	9 2:15 Good News Club	10 8-6 Gym in Use 6 pm Leadership Banquet
11 9 am S.S. 10 am Worship	12 8:30 am Sewing 7 pm Church Board	13 8:30 am Men's Breakfast 6:30 pm Ladies Prayer 6:30 pm Basketball	14 6:30 Children/ Youth/Adult Study	15	16 2:15 Good News Club	17
18 9 am S.S. 10 am Worship 6 pm Ladies Bible Study	19	20 6:30 pm Basketball	21	22 Annex and Gym in Use 	23 Craft Show Set Up	24 Craft Show
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